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Same-gender marriage isn't an issue of civil rights

I recently read a story about the Colorado Assembly concerning same-sex marriage. Apparently many of our local politicos are as spineless as their federal counterparts. The issue is particularly disturbing to me, a black man.

The gay rights lobby wishes to equate the gay experience to slavery; however, this is an apples to oranges comparison. First, no homosexual has ever been the subject of a court ruling declaring them to be chattel. Second, there are no ex-blacks but there are ex-gays. Third, even though there may be a genetic disposition towards homosexuality it is still a matter of choice. Homosexual and heterosexual people alike choose their partners and do discriminate in the choice.

Gay people have the right to equal consideration under the law. This does not mean that their civil rights are violated by current marriage laws. There are ample restrictions on marriage that are reasonable. For instance, a man cannot marry his daughter or mother. The idea that denying marriage to gays is unconstitutional is utterly ridiculous. Perhaps the most disturbing part of the issue is the blatant violation of the law. I can assure you had I broken the law as the mayor of San Francisco, I would be facing charges as a habitual offender.

Democrats and those who support gay rights are racist whether they recognize it or not. The suffering of blacks in America is made a mockery by the idea that gay rights is a civil rights issue.

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